

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of claims replaces all previous versions of the claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

retrieving a set of tuning parameters for a requested one of a plurality of provided services by accessing a database through one of a plurality of service identifiers, wherein said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, said at least two identical service identifiers being associated with different network types, said network types being selected from the group consisting of a cable network, a satellite network, a terrestrial network, and a data network, and the database comprises the following information items: the plurality of service identifiers identifying the plurality of provided services, and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of the sets being associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers, wherein retrieving the set of tuning parameters further comprises accessing said database using a web site accessible through the Internet, and selecting using a web browser one of said at least two identical service identifiers in dependence ~~in dependence~~ depending on to which network a receiver is currently tuned; and

using said retrieved tuning parameters for tuning the receiver.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising downloading said database as a Hypertext Markup Language file to said receiver.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein using said retrieved tuning parameters comprises transferring said tuning parameters from said database directly to said receiver.

8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising compiling said database in a set top box.

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein compiling said database comprises performing a channel search.

10. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

11. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:
a subscriber terminal arranged to receive and process information from a service provider system configured to access a database, wherein said database comprises the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying services provided by said at least one service provider system, and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of which sets is associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers, said database comprising at least two identical service identifiers that are associated with different network types, the network types being selected from the group consisting of a cable network, a satellite network, a terrestrial network, and a data network,

wherein said subscriber terminal is arranged to access said database using a web site accessible through the Internet, and to select using a web browser one of said at least two

identical service identifiers ~~in dependence~~depending on to which network said subscriber terminal is currently tuned, and

wherein said subscriber terminal is arranged to be tuned to a requested service by accessing said database through said service identifier of said requested service and retrieving tuning parameters associated with said requested service.

13. (Canceled)..

14. (Canceled).

15. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said database is arranged to be downloaded to said subscriber terminal as ~~an HTML~~a Hypertext Markup Language file.

16. (Canceled).

17. (Canceled).

18. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said subscriber terminal comprises a set top box.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

21. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus ~~arranged to store a database comprising the following information items, comprising:~~

a database storing information items, the information items comprising:

a plurality of service identifiers identifying services provided by a service provider systems, at least two of the service identifiers being identical and being associated with different network types, the network types being selected from the group consisting of a cable network, a satellite network, a terrestrial network, and a data network; and

a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of which sets is associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers;

wherein said apparatus is arranged to access said database using a web site accessible through the Internet, and to select using a web browser one of said at least two identical service identifiers in-dependence~~depending~~ on to which network said apparatus is currently tuned, and

wherein said apparatus is arranged to be tuned to a requested service by accessing said database through said service identifier of said requested service and retrieving tuning parameters associated with said requested service.

23. (Canceled).

24. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~terminal~~ according to claim 22, wherein said apparatus is arranged to access said database by means of a web browser.

25. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said database is arranged to be downloaded to said apparatus as ~~an HTML~~a Hypertext Markup Language file.

26. (Canceled).

27. (Canceled).

28. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, comprising a set top box.

29. (Canceled).

30. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

31. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

32. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium storing computer-executable instructions for performing a method, the method comprising:

compiling a database comprising the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying provided services, at least two of the service identifiers being identical and being associated with different network types, the network types being selected from the group consisting of a cable network, a satellite network, a terrestrial network, and a data network, and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of the sets being associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers;

retrieving a set of tuning parameters for a requested one of the provided services by accessing said database ~~through one of said plurality of service identifiers~~ using a web site accessible through the Internet, including selecting using a web browser one of said at least two identical service identifiers ~~in dependence~~ depending on to which network a receiver is currently tuned; and

using said retrieved tuning parameters for tuning the receiver.

33. (Canceled).

34. (Canceled).